

Civil War Debate Themes

Theme	Character(s)	Reason for Choosing
States secede from the Union		
Abraham Lincoln elected		
Missouri Compromise		
Bleeding Kansas		
Dred Scott Supreme Court Decision		
Compromise of 1815		
States' rights		
Quality of life for a slave		
Economy		
Declaration of Independence		
Constitution		
Growing differences between North and South		

Name: _____

Team: _____

Directions: Please use complete sentences in completing this worksheet. This will be turned in on the day of the debate.

All facts must have a bibliography.

Character	Character's Theme(s)
<i>Example: Thomas Jefferson (versus King George)</i>	<i>Example: Dislike for King George</i>



Connection to your character
<i>Example: Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence to free the colonists from King George's rule.</i>



Statement against your opponent
<i>Example: King George has repeatedly acted against the best interest of the colonists, including 20 wrongdoings listed in the Declaration of Independence.</i>



How are you going to prove your character's point?	
Fact	Bibliography (book and page #)
<i>Example: King George has threatened the colonist's right to life by sending British soldiers to fight against them.</i>	<i><u>History Alive</u> page 216</i>
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